

## Alexandria Gazette.

THURSDAY EVENING, MAR. 24, 1898

## LOCAL MATTERS.

See rates to-morrow at 6:01 and sets at 6:14. High water at 9:58 a. m. and 10:24 p. m.

**WATER PROBABILITIES.**—For this season clearing this afternoon or to-night; to-morrow, fair; Friday fair; northeasterly shifting to northerly winds.

**MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.**—The relatives and friends of Captain Wm. H. Treake, an old and well-known citizen, are suffering the greatest anxiety on account of his mysterious disappearance about three o'clock this morning, and they apprehend that he has committed suicide by drowning himself while in a fit of despondency. Captain Treake had been suffering for several years from malignant growths on the face which have developed into cancerous forms, and in recent years he has had to undergo operations for their removal. Lately similar growths appeared on his ears, and but few days ago he returned from a Washington hospital where he had suffered excision of the diseased portions. Dark spots appeared on portions of his face, indicative of embryonic cancer and which would sooner or later have developed into that terrible malady, and it is supposed that this impression produced a lethargy in his previous buoyant spirit, and the reveries which followed superinduced the despondency which, it is feared, drove him to desperation. He arose this morning about 3 o'clock, saying he was going into the yard. The hours passed away and he not returning the members of his family initiated a search for him. The premises were carefully examined, and then began a search of the streets and earnest inquiries, but up to this time his whereabouts are a mystery. Captain Treake was one of the oldest residents of Alexandria, and had lived on South Lee street, and had lived on Gibbon, in the same house for nearly half a century. He was about 75 years of age, and from his boyhood he had been a friend and acquaintance of the family, and they sympathize with them in the sincere ordeal through which they are passing, and would rejoice with them should they find the captain alive and be relieved of their great apprehension, although the most sanguine fear this is improbable.

**CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE CITY.**—Judge C. E. Nicol presiding. Green's ex vs. Adams, Hammer & Co.; dismissed by order of plaintiff's attorney.

R. W. Ballenger vs. W. W. Heat; judgment for plaintiff for \$250.

D. H. Gordon vs. Home Telephone Company of R. P. Knox, receiver, referred to J. T. Callahan, commissioner, for report.

Beach vs. McVeigh et al, case matured as to A. E. Addison's devise except A. J. Wedderburn and wife and daughter of W. N. McVeigh's amended bill overruled and case continued to June Wedderburn and wife into court.

A. M. Snowden, by her next friend, vs. L. S. Windsor, ex'r, et al; case compromised and final decree.

Barson vs. Hunter's ex'r; removed to Circuit Court of Fauquier.

Court adjourned for the term.

Campbell, receiver, vs. J. P. Robinson et al; First National Bank of Bedford vs. same, and Berry & Griffin vs. same; from the Circuit Court of Alexandria county. Decree entered in each case quashing the attachment.

J. J. Small vs. New National Brick Co.; from the Circuit Court of the County; case in progress.

**JUSTICE SELLERS ACQUITTED.**—Mr. Valentine W. Sellers, the justice of the peace at Rosslyn, was yesterday in Washington arraigned before Judge Scott on the charge of carrying a pistol concealed on his person. Upon hearing the case, Judge Scott acquitted him. Mr. Sellers, it is said, had planned a raid on a gambling house in Rosslyn, to take place Tuesday night. When about to take a car on the Mt. Vernon electric road the weapon fell out of Mr. Sellers' pocket and one chamber exploded with considerable noise. This attracted the attention of officers who took Mr. Sellers into custody. At the first precinct he was released on \$500 collateral, which, with the pistol, were returned to him after his acquittal.

**PERSONAL.**—Mr. Frank Carlin is quite sick at his home on Duke street.

Messrs. W. P. Taylor and J. E. W. Timberman, of this city, have passed successful examinations before the State Board of Pharmacy, now in session at Richmond.

Mr. S. F. Minter, wholesale lumber merchant of Norfolk, was in this city yesterday visiting Mr. J. H. Trimyer.

Rev. Dr. Wm. M. Dame, of Baltimore, will preach in Christ Church to-morrow at 7:45 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

**NEW BOOKS.**—The following novels have been added to the library since last week's report: The Gaddy, E. N. Raynolds; Andronike, Stephanos Theodoros Xenos, translated from the original Greek by Edwin A. Grosvenor; Lin McLean, Owey Wister; The Whirl Pool, George Gissing; The Romance of a Transport, W. Clark Russell; The Secret of the Court, Frankfort Moore; Quis, The Baroness Taupheus. The initials, Baroness Taupheus.

**WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.**—Wednesday of last week Miss Sallie Stuart, of Alexandria, met the officers of the various parochial branches of the Woman's Auxiliary in Richmond for the purpose of conferring with them on subjects of special interest and importance to them. The meeting was held in the parish building of St. Andrew's church, and was attended by many of the local workers in the auxiliary.

**FOURTH CHURCHMAN.**—The services being conducted at the old First Presbyterian Church by Rev. J. E. Irvin, assisted by his wife and daughter, continue to be interesting to those who attend them. The meetings are at 3 and 8 p. m. and will be continued all this week. These meetings have increased in interest from the first.

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## RAILROAD MISSION.

Last night a large audience heard Rev. J. Ernest Thacker on "The Sinner's Own Story." Mrs. Coffin's solo was very pretty and touchingly rendered. To-night Mr. Thacker will preach on "Our Days are Like the Shadow." Mr. Enos Carr will sing by request to night "Raise me Jesus."

Mr. Reuben Baker, president of the Columbia Street Railway Company and treasurer of the Washington and Norfolk Steamboat Company, died suddenly at his residence, in Washington, yesterday.

## LOCAL BREVITIES.

A new roof is being put on the round house at the Southern Railway depot.

Mr. James Penn, of this city, has procured a position at the navy yard in Washington.

Wm. Gary was arrested to-day by order of the Mayor charged with habitual drunkenness.

The families of some of the soldiers encamped at Sheridan's Point have arrived today.

Two candidates were initiated at the meeting of Jackson Lodge, Jr. O. U. A. M., last night.

Rev. Arthur Harding, of Washington, last night preached an interesting sermon at Grace Church.

Mr. Walter J. Moore has furnished a handsome steel collar for the horse belonging to the Hydrant hose wagon.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Wm. M. Decker and Lucy Shackelford, both of Stafford.

Dennis J. Cauty was yesterday indicted by the grand jury in Washington for murder in the killing of George M. Rye on March 15.

The receipts of fish are increasing and prices are firm. Flax seed today at \$12.40 per hundred and herring at \$7.45 per thousand.

George A. Fowle was yesterday ordered by Justice Hagner in Washington to pay his wife, Virginia, the alimony due her before March 30, or go to jail.

The ladies of the Methodist Protestant Church will give an oyster supper at Odd Fellows' Hall to-night and to-morrow night for the benefit of the church.

Mr. Uhler stated in the Council meeting on Tuesday night that \$17,000 had been expended on street improvement during the year—not \$17,000 as reported.

A letter was received in this city to-day announcing the death at Hot Springs, Ark., on the 18th inst. of Mr. Taylor T. Zimmerman, brother of Mr. J. R. Zimmerman, of this city.

Two steamers—the Norfolk and Newport News—left here last night taking large numbers of persons to Newport News to see the launching of the two battleships to-day. A band of music was on the Norfolk.

The bill recently passed by the House of Representatives for the relief of the executors of Lewis McKenzie, of this city, about \$2,000, for expenses incurred in his contest of election case, has also been passed by the Senate.

The young Alexandrian, who was detained in Washington on Monday on the charge of having in his possession some articles which it was claimed did not belong to him, was released. The detention was without excuse as he clearly proved that the articles were his own and had been for a long time.

Deaths in the District of Columbia last week numbered 116—white, 65; death rate, 17.7; colored, 51; death rate, 29.9. The annual average death rate per 1,000 for the whole population was 21.5. Fifty-seven cases of scarlet fever were in quarantine March 12, 1898. The new cases reported during the week just ended numbered 21.

The weather has been rainy, gloomy or threatening for about a week, during which time the wind has blown from every quarter of the compass. Last night the heavens became clear for a short time, and there was every indication of fair, cool weather and northwesterly winds. Later, however, clouds and rain followed, and throughout to-day a steady drizzle has prevailed with easterly or northeasterly winds.

## SPANISH AFFAIRS.

There is more talk in Madrid of an international court to settle the Maine dispute. Spain, it is said, would prefer Swiss, Belgian or Swedish arbitrators to English.

Members of the Madrid cabinet are reported to be divided, some of them being strongly in favor of war. The peace party there is active.

Several democratic Senators from the South, including Senator Bacon, of Georgia, called at the White House yesterday on the invitation of President McKinley. The President was advised by Mr. Bacon not to demand an indemnity for the loss of the Maine, but to throw the burden of action upon Spain, after communicating to that government the finding of the court of inquiry.

La Lucha, of Havana, maintains that the American court of inquiry, owing to the short time it was there, could not give a scientific report on the Maine disaster. "American naval officers," says La Lucha, "are not likely to decide against brother officers. The divers could not give expert testimony, owing to the fact that the Maine's machinery was imbedded four feet in the mud. It is greatly to be regretted that more time and care were not given to the preparation of a report for which the whole world waits and which is likely to change the entire feelings of a part of the American people toward Spain and Cuba." La Lucha publishes also an interview with Consul General Lee, which quotes him as saying that he knows nothing of the nature of the report, but is satisfied that General Blanco never knew of the disaster until he heard the shock in the harbor.

"The independence of Cuba can be obtained without war, if President McKinley is left alone, and is not forced by the extreme Cuban sympathizers," said Senator Elkins yesterday, who at the same time announced that he was doing what he could to prevent hasty action in the Senate, and urging Senators to give the President time to carry out his own policy. Mr. Elkins said that, in his opinion, the destinies should be cared for, and that peaceful means would bring about the freedom of Cuba.

## MILLIONS GIVEN AWAY.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten millions trial bottles of this great medicine and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases.

Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest, and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on E. L. Allen, Druggist, and get a trial bottle free, regular size 25c. and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be shortened by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. Charles G. Lennox.

## EXERCISES.

E. E. KNIGHT'S, 621 KING ST. For \$1.50 Each. Recommended by doctors. Ask to see the 10c Sheet Music while there. mar11

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## TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

John S. Hopkins, cashier of the People's National Bank in Philadelphia, died suddenly to-day of heart disease, aged fifty years.

Sky scrapers in Chicago must not be more than ten stories high in future, as the City Council last night amended the section relating to the heights of buildings.

American Federation of Labor organizers have been working quietly for the past month organizing men in the building trades in Milwaukee, looking to a united demand on May 1 for an eight-hour working day.

Charles R. Wright, who was formerly heavily interested in railroads, real estate and industrial enterprises in the west and northwest, died at his home in Philadelphia to-day. He was possessed of great wealth.

The Bank of Merriam Park, St. Paul, Minn., failed to open to-day on account of the time check fraud. The bank's capital is \$50,000 which has been reported to be invested in the Southwestern government time checks to the amount of \$30,000.

The grand jury at Chicago has returned indictments against George H. Jacks, formerly chief of police of Muskegon, Mich., and William H. Willows, charging them with the murder of Andrew H. McNehe. Jacks and Willows, it is alleged, decoyed McNehe to an apartment house several weeks ago and murdered him.

A GERMAN PAPER ON CUBA. The Hamburger Nachrichten, the organ of Prince Bismarck, in an editorial on Cuba says:

The Government of the United States has officially taken up the Cuban question, and the Spanish government, very justly, looks upon this action as an interference in its internal affairs. It does not matter how badly Cuba may be governed by Spain (and we would be the last ones to defend her on this account), the fact nevertheless remains that Spain cannot permit any other government to dictate to her how to govern Cuba and how and in what time to subdue the insurrection. The fact that Cuba in a geographical sense is a part of America, gives that government no right to interfere. Such intervention must hurt the national pride of Spain very badly, because that country looks upon the United States as an upstart, which has already inflicted untold misery to the kingdom on which once "the sun never set." But this action of the United States government is not only an affront to Spain, but as well as one to the whole of Europe, because it is the first time that a transatlantic power proceeds in such a manner against any European government, and this proceeding emanates from a country that a little over a century ago was only a vast forest.

DISASTROUS FLOODS.—The recent heavy rains in western Pennsylvania, in Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana, Illinois and other States in the central West for several days, have caused great damage and last night thousands of persons' lives and property were in danger by floods. In some cases considerable loss of life is reported. There are many cities and towns bordering the banks of the Ohio, the Monongahela, the Allegheny, the Miami, the Scioto, the Wabash, the Osage and other broad streams, and in these populous centers there is much fear. Low-lying houses are flooded, levees are breaking, trolley lines stopped, electric light plants and power houses damaged so that they are not in operation, factories shut down by the high waters, telephone and telegraph wires down, bridges swept away, and in hundreds of other ways the storm driven waters are manifesting their terrible power.

The scores of railroad lines linking these towns are practically at a standstill. Washouts, wrecked bridges and landslides make progress impossible on many routes, and on others the few trains that are running are hours late. In the farming lowlands the rivers are miles wide, and the inhabitants, many of whom have had to flee from their homes, are circling about in boats trying to save what they can from the wreckage that is being swept down stream. Wheat fields are flooded and rich farming lands completely submerged. The losses will run up into millions.

A dispatch from Zanesville, Ohio, says that four thousand persons have been driven from their homes and very few have saved any of their household effects. More than fifty persons are reported missing. The supply of skills was wholly inadequate to rescue the people and it will take all night to get them on dry land. Much destitution prevails.

## DIVORCE GRANTED.

LANCASTER, Pa., Mar. 24.—Sarah Gossler Pague, wife of Lieutenant Samuel S. Pague, late of the U. S. A., was granted a divorce to-day, the proceedings being the outcome of the attempt of Pague to kill Colonel Crofton at Fort Sheridan, Chicago, in 1895.

Pague on entering his home found his colonel there, and drawing his revolver fired two shots at him, neither of which struck him. He accused his superior with undue intimacy with his wife. Pague was court-martialed and dismissed from the army. Mrs. Pague came to this county, her native place, and instituted proceedings for divorce with the above result. She stated that at the time of the shooting Colonel Crofton came to inquire about the condition of her husband who was then under arrest for drunkenness.

A MOTHER'S AWFUL CRIME.—At New London, Ind., yesterday Mrs. Erastus Tucker put her daughter, Fay, in a closet and locked it, first saturating the girl's dress with oil and setting fire to it. The mother then wrapped herself in cloth saturated with oil and set fire to the covering. She was burned to death. The daughter broke through the closet and succeeded in putting out the fire in her clothes, but she badly burned that she will die. The two were alone in the house. The daughter is 18 years old. The mother was mentally unbalanced.

I desire to attest to the merits of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as one of the most valuable and efficient preparations on the market. It broke an exceedingly dangerous cough for me in 24 hours, and in gratitude therefore, I desire to inform you that I will never be without it and you should feel proud of the esteem in which your Remedies are held by people in general. It is the one remedy among ten thousand, succeeds to it.—O. R. DOWNEY, Editor Democrat, Albion, Ind. For sale by J. H. Janney, Druggist, 701 King street.

Don't annoy others by your coughing, and risk your life by neglecting a cold. One Lunt Cough Cure cures your cough, croup, croup and all throat and lung troubles. Charles G. Lennox.

## MILLINERY.

**SPRING MILLINERY.** OPENING OF SPRING AND SUMMER MILLINERY.

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